

# CELL SALVAGE

**Perioperative Cell Salvage** – Using the “Cell Saver Machine” the patient’s blood is collected from the surgical site through a suction device, washed, processed and readministered to the patient, preventing the need for donor blood product administration. Any collected blood not returned to the patient is discarded.

**Post Operative Cell Salvage** – Used to collect shed blood from the surgical cavity that has been closed at the completion of a surgical procedure. As with perioperative cell salvage, collected blood is washed, processed the red cells are separated and returned to the patient. This procedure aids in the prevention of post operative anemia.

